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Natwar M. Gandhi Chief Financial Officer

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Honorable Philip H. Mendelson

Chairman, Council of the District of Columbia

FROM: Natwar M. Gandhi

Chief Financial Officer

DATE: July 6, 2012

SUBJECT: Fiscal Impact Statement - "Career and Technical Education Plan

Establishment Emergency Act of 2012"

REFERENCE: Draft legislation, shared with the Office of Revenue Analysis on July 3,

2012

Conclusion

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2012 budget and the FY 2013 through FY 2016 budget and financial plan to implement the bill.

Background

The bill requires the Mayor to establish, on an emergency basis, a Career and Technical Education ("CTE") Task Force to review best practices for CTE programs and develop a District-wide strategic plan for CTE programs administered by D.C. Public Schools, D.C. Public Charter Schools, the University of the District of Columbia's Community College, and any other secondary or post-secondary institution that receives federal or local funding for CTE programming. The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE) will convene the nine-member Task Force and lead the effort to draft the strategic plan, which is due to the Mayor and Council on January 1, 2013. The strategic plan will consider how to improve existing CTE programs by, for example, attracting new participants and improving completion rates, and how to enhance the District's CTE offerings with a focus on career clusters that lead to jobs in burgeoning industries.

Financial Plan Impact

Funds are sufficient in the FY 2012 budget and the FY 2013 through FY 2016 budget and financial plan to implement the bill. OSSE and its partner agencies can prepare the strategic plan using existing resources. Task Force members will serve in a volunteer, unpaid capacity.